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## Education

**Admitted, State Bar of California** (July 2014)

**Harvard Law School**, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Juris Doctorate, February 2013

*Harvard Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review*, General Editor

*Harvard Journal of Sports & Entertainment Law*, Submissions Editor, Line Editor; Article Editor

*Harvard International Law Journal*, Subciter

*Harvard Law & Policy Review*, 1L Editor

**University of Cambridge, Corpus Christi College**, Cambridge, United Kingdom

LL.M., June 2012

Courses: International Human Rights Law, Law of the WTO, Corporate Insolvency, Intellectual Property.

**Princeton University**, Princeton, New Jersey

A.B. *summa cum laude* in Sociology, June 2008

Honours: Isidore Brown Award for highest cumulative GPA of all undergraduates in Sociology Department over all four years. A+ awarded for outstanding thesis defence & oral poster presentation.

Thesis: Implications of Post-Hurricane Katrina Hispanic Influx into New Orleans. Independently conducted ethnographic sociological research project in Spanish and Portuguese on role of food in post-disaster context and of socio-legal implications of immigration and natural disaster, producing 30,000-word thesis. Mobilised successful campaign to halt City closure of local taco trucks after determining policy was illegal.

## Postdoctoral Research Positions

**Policy Fellow and Assistant Adjunct Professor**, Los Angeles, California

*Resnick Program for Food Law and Policy, UCLA (University of California, Los Angeles)*, October 2015

Conduct research on food law and policy with focus on structural determinants of diet and health, including agricultural law, trade law, and local governance. Co-teach food law course to second- and third-year law students. Develop and oversee pro bono referral program for food law and policy-related legal needs, including recruiting and supervising law students with case intake and placement. Organise conferences and other events.

**Research Associate**, Cambridge, United Kingdom

*UKCRC Centre for Diet & Activity Research, University of Cambridge*, January 2015-present

Recipient of Isaac Newton Trust postdoctoral research grant in law and public health from the University of Cambridge. Conduct research on impacts of EU agricultural law, sugar policies, and international trade law on diet, health and obesity. Research effective, equitable, and legally compliant methods of devising fiscal measures to mitigate sugar consumption and improve dietary and health outcomes using public health surveillance, epidemiological methods, and legal analysis.

**Research Associate**, Cambridge, United Kingdom

*Corpus Christi College, University of Cambridge*, September 2013-present

Non-stipendiary postdoctoral research position in law at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.

**Fulbright Schuman Scholar**, Cambridge, United Kingdom & Dublin, Ireland

*Research Associate, UKCRC Centre for Diet & Activity Research, University of Cambridge, and, University of Warwick*, March-December 2014

One of three U.S. recipients of Fulbright Schuman grant to EU. Conducted research on the impacts of EU agricultural law, human rights law, and trade law on dietary behaviour, obesity, and health outcomes. Analysed obesogenic effects of EU Common Agricultural Policy and consequences of recent sugar policy reforms for health. Assessed obligations of right to adequate food vis-à-vis nutrition and health. Research carried out in collaboration with sociology & agricultural economics academics at University of Warwick and University College Dublin.

**Harvard Knox Postdoctoral Fellow**, Cambridge, United Kingdom

*Research Associate, UKCRC Centre for Diet & Activity Research, University of Cambridge*, July 2013-March 2014

Recipient of highly competitive postdoctoral research grant from Harvard University to the UK to research EU and WTO agricultural law. Analysed impact of agricultural legislation (particularly in sugar) on obesity, health outcomes and small-scale farming in the UK. Examined intersection of agriculture, human rights and trade law with health and nutrition. Advocated for structural interventions and for adopting a legal approach to public health and vice versa as a means of improving the food system and health and obesity outcomes.

## Professional Experience

### **Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz**, New York, New York

*Summer Associate*, Summer 2011 (full-time offer of employment was extended)

Summer associate in antitrust, corporate, litigation, and real estate departments at first-ranked U.S. firm. Analysed Brazilian governmental antitrust opinions in Portuguese and drafted extensive memoranda on findings. Conducted legal research and assisted in preparation of pleadings in litigation arising out of Bernie Madoff fraud. Assisted with depositions in complex financial litigation. Collaborated to create and give presentation on takeover defences to Board of Directors of major company. Analysed several commercial leases for three separate M&A deals. Assisted low-income client pro bono in divorce case.

### **Microsoft Corporation**, Redmond, Washington

*Legal Intern, Legal & Corporate Affairs*, Summer 2010

Researched, drafted memos and attended client meetings on privacy-related legal issues. Translated Mexico Data Protection Act, wrote internally published article comparing Act to EU Directive, and presented findings to cross-divisional group of over 30. Co-authored article on employee use of social networking published in California Bar Journal.

### **Dominican Literacy Project**, Barahona, Dominican Republic

*Princeton in Latin America Fellow*, 2008–2009

Recipient of competitive fellowship with non-profit in remote area of Dominican Republic. Independently conceived of, designed, and implemented 3 curricula and new organisational system in Spanish for school serving Dominico-Haitian refugees. Solely responsible for overseeing daily running of school. Conducted extensive teacher training process, supervised all three classrooms, wrote all daily lesson plans. Co-launched weekly adult education and community baseball programs.

## Research and Academic Experience

### **Harvard Food Law & Policy Clinic**, Cambridge, Massachusetts

*Research under Director Emily Broad Leib*, Fall 2012

Wrote comprehensive paper on access to food and nutrition services in North Carolina, incorporating on-the-ground assessments, analysing implications for prevalence of type 2 diabetes and offering policy recommendations for improvement. Assisted researching, writing and extensively editing 120-page published paper on implementing state-level food policy mechanisms.

### **Research Assistant to Dr Michael Waibel**, Cambridge, United Kingdom, and Cambridge, Massachusetts

*July-October 2012*

Conducted research on international tax law and tax avoidance policies.

### **Research Assistant to Professor Simon Deakin**, Cambridge, United Kingdom

*December 2011–February 2012*

Conducted research in English and Spanish on international labour law in Mexico, Chile, and Argentina.

### **Harvard Negotiation & Mediation Clinical Program**, Cambridge, Massachusetts

*Clinical Project under Prof. Robert Bordone*, 2010–2011

Collaborated to significantly improve Town of Nantucket's collective bargaining process. Conducted interviews and focus groups with 5 labour unions and town officials. Produced two extensively researched final reports, which contributed to more efficient negotiations.

### **The Ghana Project**, Accra and Northern Ghana

*Research under Prof. Lucie White*, 2010–2011

Co-led interviews of 264 residents in remote northern Ghana to assess access to Ghana's National Health Insurance Scheme within international human rights law framework. Analysed data and co-wrote 15-page article with recommendations for improvement.

### **Research Assistant to Professor Jon Hanson**, Cambridge, Massachusetts

*October 2010–March 2011*

Conducted research on law and social psychology, focusing on perceptions and manifestations of social inequalities in the United States and Europe.

## Publications

Emilie Aguirre, *Incorporating the Right to Adequate Food into the Right to Health and the Framework Convention for Global Health* (forthcoming, August 2015)

Emilie Aguirre, Oliver Mytton, and Pablo Monsivais, *The Common Agricultural Policy, sugar consumption and public health: Possible unintended consequences of liberalising the sugar sector in Europe* (provisionally accepted, forthcoming 2015)

*The Dietary & Obesogenic Effects of the Common Agricultural Policy & Sugar Regime: Integrating a Legal Approach to Public Health to Effect Change through Structural Interventions* (submitted for publication)

*EU Common Agricultural Policy Sugar Reforms: Implications for Public Health*, May 2014, Briefing Paper, UKCRC Centre for Diet and Activity Research (CEDAR), University of Cambridge. (Cited by Public Health England).

Emily Broad Leib et al, *Good Laws Good Food: Putting State Food Policy to Work for Our Communities*, November 2012, Harvard Food Law and Policy Clinic.

*Dietary Public Health Implications of the Common Agricultural Policy* (in progress)

*The Composition of the UK, US and Canadian Food Supply in Comparison to National Dietary Guidelines* (in progress)

*Implementing Healthy Food Financial Incentives under the WTO Subsidies & Countervailing Measures Agreement* (in progress)

## Conference Papers and Presentations Given

*Why Obesity? A Sociological and Legal Justification for Addressing Obesity in the UK*, June 2014, British Sociological Association Food and Society Conference, British Library, London, UK

*Common Agricultural Fallacy?: Analysing the Structural Obesogenic Effects of EU Agricultural Law*, May 2014, Invited Speaker: Early Career Researchers Symposium, Public Health at Cambridge Showcase, Cambridge, UK

*The Roles of Sugar, EU Laws, and Policy Interventions in Poor Diet and Obesity Prevalence in the UK*, June 2014, UKCRC Public Health Research Centres of Excellence Conference, Leeds, UK (poster presentation)

*A CAP on Health? The impacts of EU Common Agricultural Policy on Obesity and Diet*, March 2014, MRC Epidemiology Unit, University of Cambridge, UK

*Innovation and Compliance: Proposing Effective and Legal Food Policy Solutions to Obesity in the United Kingdom*, January 2014, US-UK Fulbright Conference, Durham University, UK

## Honours and Awards

*Charles Slater Fund Award*, June 2015  
Grant from University of Cambridge School of Biological Sciences

*Isaac Newton Trust Grant*, 2015  
Postdoctoral research grant from University of Cambridge

*Fulbright-Schuman Grant*, 2014  
Research grant from US Department of State and European Union

*Harvard Knox Fellowship*, 2013-14  
Research grant from Harvard University

*Princeton in Latin America Fellowship*, 2008-09  
Princeton University grant to conduct policy work in the Dominican Republic

*Isidore Brown Award*, 2008  
Highest cumulative GPA in Princeton University Sociology Department in graduating class

## Language Skills

**Spanish:** Fluent. **Portuguese:** Advanced (4 years university study; summer 2007 course in Brazil). **French:** Advanced (4 years study). **Italian:** Intermediate (Cambridge University Language Program assessed course).

## Interests and Activities

Healthy cooking, travel, sports, musicals. 500-hour certified yoga instructor. Certified canoe instructor and lifeguard. Sutton Trust volunteer mentor to mid- and low-income UK youths applying to university.

Cambridge University Women's Lacrosse Club (CUWLC): starting member, full Blues squad. Undefeated UK National Champions. Treble winners: Premier League South, Premier Cup, and Varsity Match.

Cambridge University Women's Association Football Club (CUWAFC): starting member, full Blues squad. Treble winners: Midlands 2B League, Midlands Conference Cup, and Varsity Match. Awarded Cambridge University Women's Team of the Year.